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Bahrain Abolishes Import Duties on Selected Food & Agricultural Products

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Report Highlights:

Bahrain abolished import duties on 42 food and agricultural products, compared to 5 percent levied previously. The import duty is 100 percent on tobacco products, 125 percent on alcoholic beverages and 20 percent on packaged corn and palm oils. The import duty on all other food and agricultural products is 5 percent.

Includes PSD changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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Bahrain: Food and Agricultural Product Import Duties

We have reported per BA 0001 of January 6, 2000 that the Government of Bahrain (GOB) decided to abolish import duties on a number of essential food and agricultural products, as of the beginning of this year, to "ease the citizens' burdens and improve their living conditions".

The above exemption decree, which covered 42 food and agricultural products took effect gradually as stocks of products imported previously by the trade and whose duties were paid, were exhausted. The import duty for these products was previously 5 percent as for most other food products in Bahrain.

Following is a current listing of import duty levels applied on all food and agricultural products in Bahrain including those that exempted from import duty.

1. Products that are exempted from import duty:

No	HS Code	Product Name
1	01050000	Live poultry of the following kinds: Chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys and guineas.
2	01060011	Other live animals for human consumption
3	02010000	Meat of bovine animals, fresh or chilled
4	02042000	Meat of sheep or goats, fresh or chilled
5	02045011	Meat of goats, fresh or chilled
6	02081010	Meat and edible meat offal, fresh or chilled
7	03010000	Live fish, except ornamental fish
8	03020000	Fish, fresh or chilled
9	04020000	Milk and cream, concentrated, for industrial use
10	07010000	Potatoes, fresh or chilled
11	07020000	Tomatoes, fresh or chilled
12	07030000	Onions, shallots, garlic, leeks and other alliaceous vegetables, fresh or chilled
13	07040000	Cabbages, cauliflowers, and similar edible Brassica, fresh and chilled
14	07050000	Lettuce, fresh or chilled
15	07060000	Carrots, turnips, salad beets, salsify, celeriac, radishes and similar roots, fresh or chilled
16	07070000	Cucumbers, fresh or chilled

17	07080000	Leguminous vegetables, shelled or unshelled, fresh or chilled
18	07090000	Other vegetables, fresh or chilled
19	08030000	Bananas, fresh or dried
20	08040000	Dates, figs, pineapples, avocados, guavas and mangoes, fresh or dried
21	08050000	Citrus fruit, fresh or dried
22	08060000	Grapes, fresh or dried
23	08070000	Melons, watermelons and papayas, fresh
24	08080000	Apples, pears and quinces, fresh
25	08090000	Apricots, cherries, peaches, plums and sloe, fresh
26	08100000	Other fruits, fresh
27	09010000	Coffee, whether or not roasted or decaffeinated; coffee husks and skins
28	09082000	Cardamoms
29	10010000	Wheat and meslin
30	10030000	Barley
31	10040000	Oats
32	10050000	Corn
33	10060000	Rice
34	10080000	Buckwheat, millet and bird seeds, other cereals
35	11010000	Wheat or meslin flour
36	11020000	Cereal flours other than wheat or meslin
37	11030000	Cereal groats, semolina and pellets
38	12090000	Seeds, fruits and spores, used for sowing
39	17010000	Cane or beet sugar and chemically pure sucrose, in solid form
40	19011010	Infant food, milk based, not containing cocoa
41	21069070	Candies and jelly beans containing sugar substitutes for use by diabetics
42	23040000	Oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soybean oil and peanut oil

Note: In a few cases, there are small discrepancies between the product details of the exemption decree above and the HS Code descriptions. In these cases, we have used the product details as mentioned in the Bahraini decree.

2. Tobacco products: 100 percent ad valorem, CIF basis.
3. Alcoholic beverages: 125 percent ad valorem, CIF basis.
4. Packaged corn and palm oils: 20 percent ad valorem, CIF basis.
5. All other food and agricultural products, not mentioned above: 5 percent ad valorem, CIF basis.